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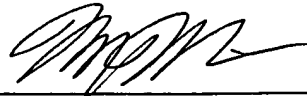
This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 6, 2003, the shortened statutory period for which runs until August 6, 2003. The Applicant respectfully requests restarting the period for reply. An incomplete citation of the "Kanai" reference was provided. This reference was used to reject all the claims. A copy of the reference also was not furnished. There is insufficient information to identify the reference and form a reply. (see MPEP 707(g), form paragraph 7.81)

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the examination of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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